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FOREST, ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 14th March 2024

S.R.O. No. 252/2024—Whereas, Forest Block Almanda Reserve Forest under Section 21 of the Odisha Forest Act,1972, has been notified by Government of Odisha, Revenue Department Notification No. FS 332/78- 12506/R dated the 13th February 1979 indicating an area of 510.00 Ac. in Narayanpatna Forest Range of Koraput Forest Division as per Annexure-I;

And whereas, the Government of Odisha in the Forest & Environment Department have notified a "Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for geo-referencing of Forest Block boundary through DGPS Survey" in the *Odisha Gazette* vide Notification No.22572400112016-10F(Cons.)-77/2016-14097-F&E, dated the 4th July 2017, for preparation of such geo-referenced forest maps in pursuance of the directives of Hon'ble Supreme Court in their order dated the 6th July 2011 [in IA Nos. 1868, 2091, 2225-2227, 2380, 2568 and 2937 in Writ Petition (C) No. 202 of 1995-Lafarge matter];

And whereas, the Government of Odisha have appointed all Tehsildars in their respective Tehsil jurisdiction in the respective Districts as Forest Settlement Officer (FSO) vide Notification No. 7767-10F(TR)-38/2020-F&E, dated the 21st May 2020;

And whereas, the Forest Revenue Joint Verification Committee has jointly verified and confirmed the boundary pillar positions as per report in Annexure-II;

And whereas, the Forest Settlement Officer has certified No Change' in the boundary extent of Almanda RF post 25th October 1980. The DGPS survey boundary co-ordinates have been verified by ORSAC and certified by the Forest Settlement Officer. The computed area (UTM Zone 44N projection and WGS 84 datum) of the Almanda RF is 201.595 ha. or 498.15 Ac. The change in area is due to method of Survey & Area Computation.

Therefore, it has been decided to supplement the existing notification of the Almanda RF with the above-mentioned FSO certified DGPS surveyed Forest Block map as per Annexure-III, and the

statement of geo-co-ordinates of the Forest Block boundary pillar positions as per Annexure-IV, which shall be treated as the precise boundary description of the Almanda RF and shall form an integral part of the original notification in place of any other form of boundary description notified earlier.

There shall be no change to the admitted rights in the original notification.

[No. 5177—FE-DIV-MISC-0011-2016-10FCons.)-34/2020-FE&CC.]

By order of the Governor

SATYABRATA SAHU

Additional Chief Secretary to Government

Annexure-I

Government of Orissa,
Revenue Department.

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Notification.

Dated, Bhubaneswar, the 13th Feb, 1979.

No.FS-332/78, 12506 /R., In exercise of the powers conferred U/S 21 of the Orissa Forest Act, 1972(Orissa Act 14 of 1972) the State Government do hereby declare that the land situated in Koraput Tahasil of the district of Koraput the limits of which are specified below and the approximate area of which is 510.00 acres shall be a reserved forest with effect from 15th April, 1979 and shall be known as the Almanda Forest Block.

Name of the Forest Block.	Area in acres.	Boundaries.	Police Forest Station	Division.	District.
1	2	3	4	5	6
ALMANDA	510.00	North-Village Narayanapatna Reyapada boundary pattern. East- -do- Kotavalsa village. South-Almanda village West-Narayanapatna to Parvatipur road and Almanda Reserves.	Reyapada		Koraput.

The limits of this Reserve Forest are the lines marked in green on a copy of the 16" = 1 Mile cadastral maps of the villages specified below which has been signed by the Collector of the district and deposited in his Record Room.

Name of the villages.	Name of P.S	Khata No.	No.of sheets.
1. Adapumbalsa	Narayanapatna	212	1(One)
2. Kapalada	-do-	215	1(One)
3. Katabalsa	-do-	217	1(One)
4. Almanda	-do-	218	1(One)

Detailed boundary description.

Pillar No. From	To	Bearings Degrees/Minutes	Distance Chains/Links.
1	2	35.00	2.06
2	3	41.00	7.50
3	4	42.00	7.40
4	5	42.30	16.20
5	6	40.00	9.23
6	7	16.00	2.40
7	8	101.00	5.20
8	9	17.30	14.00
9	10	52.30	9.00
10	11	61.30	2.40
11	12	72.00	3.00
12	13	121.00	2.00
13	14	69.00	9.00
14	15	43.00	2.20
15	16	78.00	4.00
16	17	00.00	4.40

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17-18	151.00	1.00
18-19	152.00	[illegible].00
19-20	154-30	11.57
20-21	165-00	11-12
21-22	185.00	13.55
22-23	212-00	9-25
23-24	245-00	24-67
24-25	264.30	12,15
25-26	241-00	3-40
26-27	244-00	21-10
27-28	264-00	12-45
28-29	301-00	12-43
29-30	339-00	5-00
30-31	344-00	6-03
31-32	351-00	4-37
32-33	2-00	2-32
33-34	2-00	5-35
34-35	0-00	8-90
35-36	17-00	2-20
36-37	2[illegible]-00	2-70
37-1	3[illegible]-00	1-96 Starting Point.

2. The State Government do hereby further declare that the rights admitted in respect of Almanda Reserve Forest are detailed in the schedule below.

Schedule.

Name of the Forest Block.	Rights admitted.
ALMANDA	1. The villagers of the surrounding villages are given the right to worship "Kandenna God" inside the proposed Almanda Reserved Forest.
	2. The villagers of the surrounding villages are allowed to collect the usufructs from the fruit bearing trees for their domestic consumption and sale free of cost.
	3. The right to enjoy fruits of horticultural plantation permitted within the boundary of the reserve forest as may be decided by the Collector of the district in consultation with D.F.O concerned will be available to the villagers exclusively as to specified individuals which includes their successors in interest.

By order of the Governor,

[illegible]anda Nayak,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

Memo No. 12507 /R., dt. 13/2/79

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2. The notification is statutory and may be assigned S.R.O number.

13/2/79
Under Secretary to Government.
(P.T.O)

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Memo No. 1250-B Dt., by. 13/2/79

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Sd/- 13/2/79
Under Secretary to Government.

Memo No. 1250-9 Dt., 13/2/79

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Under Secretary to Government.

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Annexure-II

FOREST REVENUE JOINT VERIFICATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Forest Division: Koraput **Forest Range:** Narayanpatna

Minutes of Joint Verification:

List of participation of the Forest-Revenue joint verification committee is given at Table 1.

Joint Verification of the boundary of **Almanda RF** Forest Block was carried out during 16-08-2020 to 16-08-2020. Existing pillar position recorded through GPS were plotted and compared against geo-referenced cadastral maps of adjoining villages. The verified forest boundary map is enclosed at Plate-1. Findings of the verification w.r.t. revenue cadastral is given below:

- Name of notified forest block: Almanda RF
- Notification no. & date: FS-332/78-12506/R Dt. 13-02-1979
- Area as per notification: 510.00 Ac.
- Existing no. of boundary demarcations in conformity with adjoining village boundary: 5 nos. (Annexure -1)
- New boundary demarcations in conformity with adjoining village boundary: 37 nos. (Annexure -2)
- GPS area of verified boundary: 201.381 ha
- GPS perimeter of verified boundary: 6.445 km

Observations:

Notification with detailed boundary description and Traverse map with Chainage & Bearing is enclosed at Appendix-1 & Appendix-2 The verified boundary shape & area matches with the Traverse map (Diff is -5.016 ha, i.e. -2.430 %). Forest boundary demarcation Pillars in Conformity with Cadastral Map, existing pillars & HRSI. Change area is due to method of Survey and Area computation.

TABLE – I

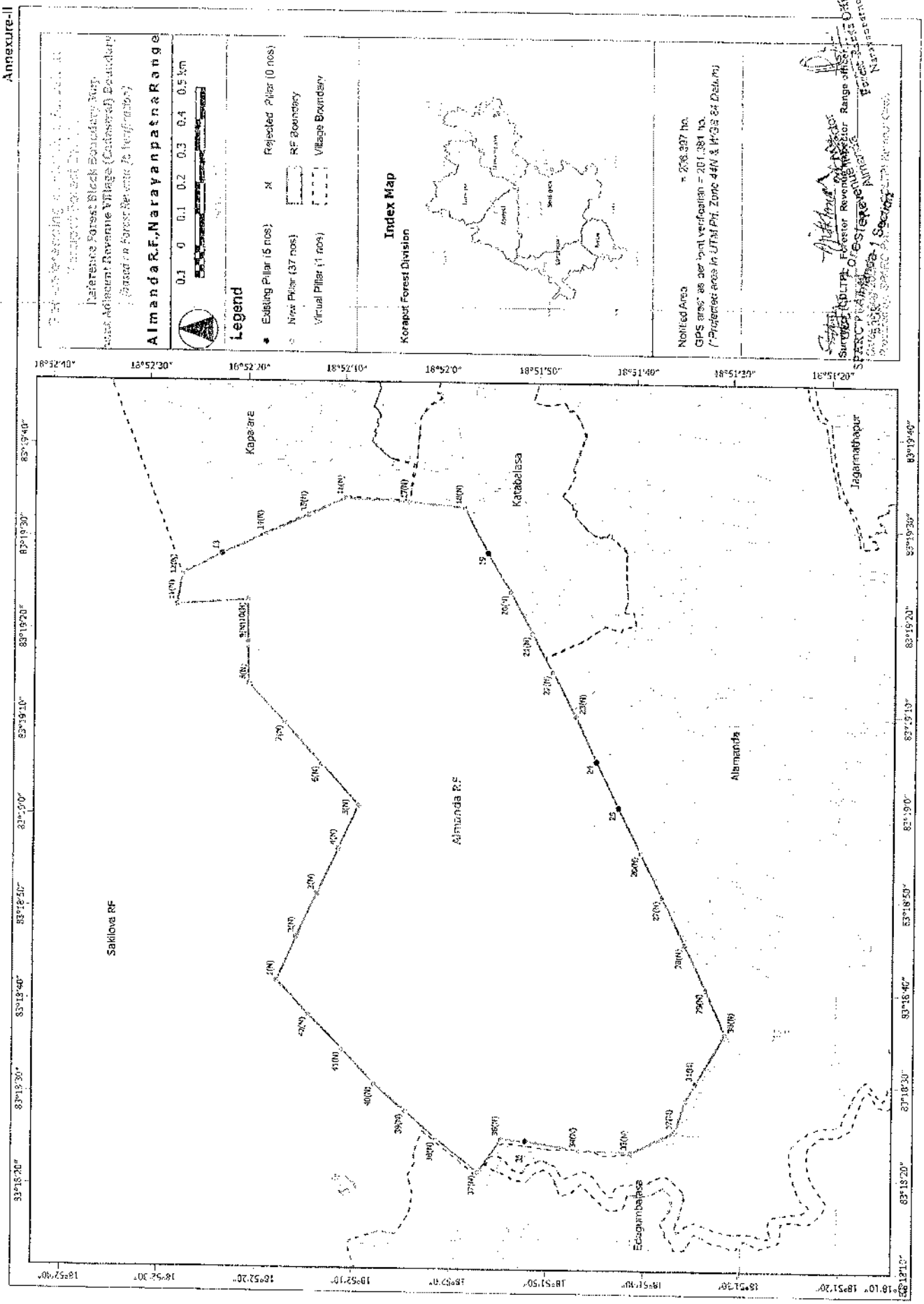
Forest and Revenue department officials(RO/FR/FG/RI/Amin) and TP Involved in Joint verification of Forest Boundary		
Name	Designation	Signature
Satya Narayan Bag Ajit Khara	FOLTP (Secretary) Forester, Almanda	Forester Almanda-1 Section
Gyanranjan Biswal	R.I., Almanda	Revenue Inspector Almanda
Umasankar Risu	FRO Narayanpatna	Forest Range Officer Narayanpatna

Counter Signed by :

Tahsildar
TAHASILDAR
BANDHUGAON

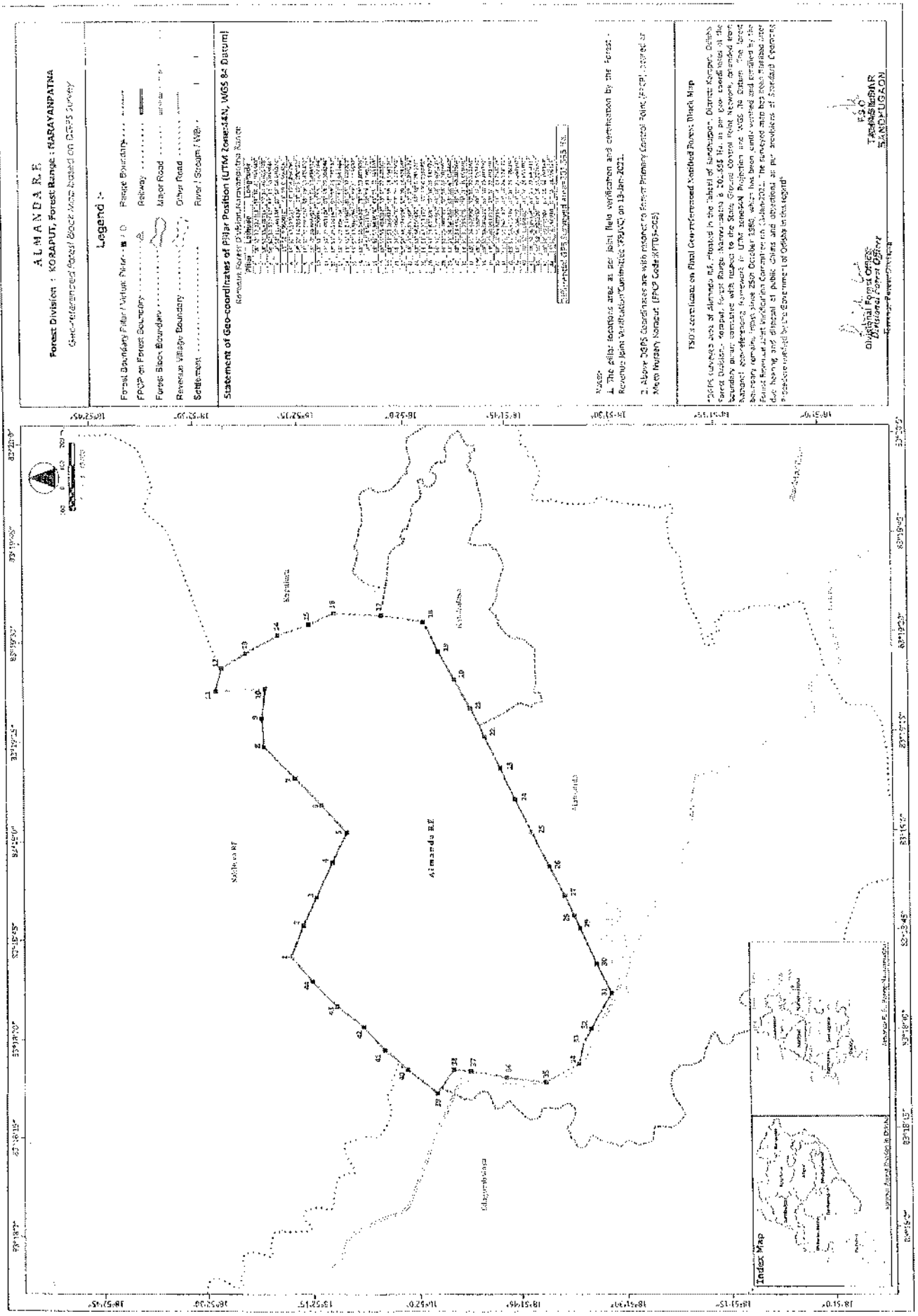
Divisional Forest Officer
Divisional Forest Officer
Koraput Forest Division

Annexure-I


Reference Forest Block Boundary Map
Almanda R.F.,Narayanpatna Range
Legend
Existing Pillar (5 nos)
New Pillar (37 nos)
Virtual Pillar (1 nos)
Rejected Pillar (0 nos)
RF Boundary
Village Boundary
Index Map
Koraput Forest Division
Notified Area = 208.327 ha.
GPS area as per joint verification = 201.381 ha.
(Protected area in UTM Prj. Zone 44N & WGS 84 Datum)
Range Officer
Forest Revenue Inspector
Range Officer
Kapsiare
Kattabelasa
Jagannathapur
Almanda R.F
Almanda
Saklilova RF
Edagumbasa

Annexure-III

FSO Certified DGPS Surveyed Forest Block Map



Annexure-IV

STATEMENT OF GEO-COORDINATES OF PILLAR POSITIONS

Forest Division: **Koraput** Forest Range : **Narayanpatna** Forest Block Name: **Almanda RF**

Ground Control Point (GCP) References. (All coordinates in WGS84 datum & UTM Zone 44N projection)

GCP Type	GCP Location	Latitude(DMS)	Longitude(DMS)	Latitude(DD)	Longitude(DD)
FPCP	Narayanpatna Range Office	18°52'50.749248"	83°10'5.093400"	18.88076368	83.16808150
FSCP1	Almanda RF , Pillar No- 1	18°52'17.212368"	83°18'41.964840"	18.87144788	83.31165690
FSCP2	Almanda RF , Pillar No- 25	18°51'42.273072"	83°19'0.338088"	18.86174252	83.31676058

Geo-coordinates of Boundary Pillar Position (Total: 44 nos.)

Pillar No	Latitude(DMS)	Longitude(DMS)	Latitude(DD)	Longitude(DD)
1	18°52'17.212368"	83°18'41.964840"	18.87144788	83.31165690
2	18°52'15.478716"	83°18'46.655928"	18.87096631	83.31295998
3	18°52'13.512612"	83°18'50.893884"	18.87042017	83.31413719
4	18°52'11.146188"	83°18'56.146536"	18.86976283	83.31559626
5	18°52'9.060060"	83°19'0.686856"	18.86918335	83.31685746
6	18°52'12.528552"	83°19'4.864764"	18.87014682	83.31801799
7	18°52'16.205484"	83°19'9.000732"	18.87116819	83.31916687
8	18°52'20.586576"	83°19'13.825452"	18.87238516	83.32050707
9	18°52'20.808012"	83°19'18.094512"	18.87244667	83.32169292
10	18°52'20.280036"	83°19'22.627164"	18.87230001	83.32295199
11	18°52'27.403104"	83°19'22.304244"	18.87427864	83.32286229
12	18°52'26.510160"	83°19'25.771332"	18.87403060	83.32382537
13	18°52'22.884384"	83°19'27.943464"	18.87302344	83.32442874
14	18°52'18.233940"	83°19'30.627012"	18.87173165	83.32517417
15	18°52'13.866996"	83°19'32.113632"	18.87051801	83.32558712
16	18°52'10.745468"	83°19'33.803904"	18.86951263	83.32605664
17	18°52'3.561132"	83°19'33.360276"	18.86765587	83.32593341
18	18°51'57.543876"	83°19'32.345148"	18.86598441	83.32565143
19	18°51'55.488312"	83°19'27.828300"	18.86541342	83.32439675
20	18°51'53.166924"	83°19'23.594124"	18.86476859	83.32322059
21	18°51'50.986476"	83°19'19.222500"	18.86416291	83.32200625
22	18°51'48.974508"	83°19'14.924748"	18.86360403	83.32081243
23	18°51'46.651968"	83°19'10.076232"	18.86295888	83.31946562
24	18°51'44.556120"	83°19'5.345328"	18.86237670	83.31815148
25	18°51'42.273072"	83°19'0.338088"	18.86174252	83.31676058
26	18°51'39.831876"	83°18'55.141776"	18.86106441	83.31531716
27	18°51'37.779912"	83°18'50.695236"	18.86049442	83.31408201
28	18°51'35.740980"	83°18'45.701640"	18.85992805	83.31269490
29	18°51'36.547236"	83°18'47.656440"	18.86015201	83.31323790
30	18°51'33.441300"	83°18'40.302864"	18.85928925	83.31119524
31	18°51'31.395276"	83°18'35.853696"	18.85872091	83.30995936
32	18°51'34.427700"	83°18'30.511368"	18.85956325	83.30847538
33	18°51'35.550953"	83°18'28.557450"	18.85987526	83.30793262

Pillar No	Latitude(DMS)	Longitude(DMS)	Latitude(DD)	Longitude(DD)
34	18°51'36.366012"	83°18'25.209792"	18.86010167	83.30700272
35	18°51'40.901832"	83°18'22.491396"	18.86135662	83.30624761
36	18°51'46.629936"	83°18'23.250024"	18.86295276	83.30645834
37	18°51'51.963912"	83°18'24.324372"	18.86443442	83.30675677
38	18°51'54.413316"	83°18'24.576804"	18.86511481	83.30682689
39	18°51'56.934972"	83°18'21.044592"	18.86581527	83.30584572
40	18°52'1.166808"	83°18'24.655392"	18.86699078	83.30684872
41	18°52'4.310184"	83°18'27.646416"	18.86786394	83.30767956
42	18°52'7.207320"	83°18'31.222656"	18.86866870	83.30867296
43	18°52'10.891704"	83°18'34.397748"	18.86969214	83.30955493
44	18°52'14.354940"	83°18'38.196324"	18.87065415	83.31061009

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